Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 13th September 1871.

No. 164. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th August 1871, No. 3,438:—

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of Malabar, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 13th July 1871, No. 172.

With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated 5th September 1870, No. 5,593, I have the honour to state that of the Rs. 5,000 advanced to the inhabitants of Tanur in 1865, the sum of Rs. 3,222-4-0 has been realized up to date.

2. The matter stands as follows:—

3. The houses were built partly by Government agency and partly by private individuals on advances made from Government money.

4. Houses built by Government agency at a cost of Rs. 1,525 were handed over to certain people for occupation on the condition of their paying the cost of erection by easy instalments.

5. For others built by Government agency no tenants could be found, and these houses had to be sold by auction and realized Rs. 1,890, but no deposit was made at the time of sale.

6. Further, the sum of Rs. 1,585 was advanced to persons who built houses for themselves. The subjoined table shows the exact state of the accounts at present:—

———	Number of individuals who have to pay.	Amount to be paid.			Amount collected.			Balance.		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Built by Government and given over to occupants	17	1,525	0	0	692	12	0	832	4	0
Do. do. sold by public auction...	20	1,890	0	0	1,110	0	0	780	0	0
Built by the inhabitants themselves ...	21	1,585	0	0	1,419	8	0	165	8	0
		5,000	0	0	3,222	4	0	1,777	12	6

7. Of course the houses must be considered as security for the money due, but no written agreement has been taken from the occupiers.

8. The houses appear to have been unfortunately situated, and some of them are to this day unoccupied and neglected, being ininconvenient situations.

9. Should they be put up for sale for arrears there will, I fear, be no purchasers, and to resort to the Civil Courts for recovery will be simply throwing good money after bad.

10. I [illegible]herefore been deemed advisable to rely hitherto on the exertions of the local revenue-officers in recovering the balances due, and the amount already realized shows that there is a prospect of the recovery of nearly the whole balance in time. I cannot hold out a prospect of recovery of the whole, as some of it is due by persons in very destitute circumstances, and regarding the remission of this portion, I shall shortly again address the Board.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

11. The balance, amounting to Rs. 1,777-12-0, is due by (36) thirty-six individuals. Every exertion is being made to recover the money.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to their Acting Secretary's endorsement on a letter from the Accountant-General, dated 2nd August 1870, No. 133.

2. The advance of Rs. 5,000 granted to the people of Tanur seems to have been mismanaged. Some of the houses which were built with it were so built by Government agency that no tenants could be found, and they had to be sold by auction. Some are even now uninhabited. No written agreement was taken from the recipients of the loan.

3. The Board agree with the Collector that it would be useless to resort to law. Nothing more can be done than is being done at present.

4. It seems strange that the part of the loan which was spent on houses for which tenants could not be found was exactly represented by the result of an auction sale. The Collector will report how this happened.

No. 165. ORDER THEREON, 13th September 1871, No. 1,588.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Accountant-General.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant-General.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. E. Bantleman

Exd. G. A. Turton.

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PROCEEDINGS, 15TH AUGUST 1871, No. 3,438.
Dated 24 August 1871
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AUGUST.
No. 3,438.

Advance made to inhabitants of Tanur—in Malabar District in 1865, (amounting to Rupees 5,000) to re-build their houses destroyed by by fire,—Letter from Collector reporting that Rupees 3,222-4-0, has been realized out of, and stating steps taken for recovery of balance, submitted to Government.—Collector requested to report how it happened that cost of some of these houses built by Government and amount for which they were sold at auction were equal.

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To

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated September 1871.

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G. O., 13th September 1871, No. 1170.

Transmitted to the Accountant-General.

Transmitted to the Collector of Salem.

Revenue Consultation, No. 1021-1023, dated 13th September 1871.

Abstract of Rs. 3,000 to debit Heads of Account, and Establishment Charges, to be drawn by Cheque on the Treasury of Salem, in favour of Syed Ibrahim Sahib, and transmitted to the Accountant-General.